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Case 5494CR

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of
D. Roe et al.
Serial No. 08/908,852
Filed: August 8, 1997

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Group Art Unit: 3735
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Examiner: M. Polutta

Title: ARTICLE HAVING A LOTIONED TOPSHEET

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 1999, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the accompanying amendments and remarks while reexamining the application. A one month extension of time is requested in the accompanying Transmittal Form.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please delete claim 27.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Sub E1
1. (Thrice Amended) A disposable article comprising:

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- A) a liquid impervious backsheet;
 - B) a liquid pervious, hydrophilic topsheet joined to said backsheet, said topsheet having an inner surface oriented toward the interior of said article and an outer surface oriented toward the skin of the wearer when said article is being worn, wherein at least a portion of said topsheet outer surface comprises an effective amount of a lotion coating which is semi-solid or solid at 20°C and which is partially transferable to the wearer's skin; and
 - C) an absorbent core positioned between said topsheet and said backsheet;
- wherein the lotion is applied to the liquid pervious topsheet in a predetermined pattern varying an element selected from the group consisting of amount, location, distribution, and combinations thereof.

Sub E1
13. (Thrice Amended) A disposable article comprising:

- A) a liquid impervious backsheet;

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a RESPONSE for the patent application.

Inventor(s): D. Roe et al.

Serial No.: 08/908,852 Group Art Unit: 3735

Date Filed: August 8, 1997 Examiner: M. Polutta

Title: Article Having A Lotioned Topsheet

1. ☐ No additional fee is known to be required.
2. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA*	RATE	FEE
TOTAL	* 26	MINUS	** 27	= 0	x \$18 =	\$
INDEP.	* 2	MINUS	*** 3	= 0	x \$78 =	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$270 =	\$
					TOTAL	\$

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

3. [x] The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action dated December 3, 1999 in the above-identified application to preserve pendency of said application. The processing fee under 37 CFR §1.17 has been determined as follows: \$110.00 for a one-month extension of time.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
 - a. [x] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.16.
 - b. [x] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.
5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

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